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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yasuhiro SAKAI et al.

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For: Method of Staining, and Detecting and Counting
Bacteria, and a Diluent for Bacterial Stain

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Group Art: 1651

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.